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Allocating Use of An Access
Device Between Host and Guest
Operating Systems

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 21, 2004

In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 21, 2004, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 09-0465, the fee of \$18.00 for the addition of one (1) dependent claim, and for any fees required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

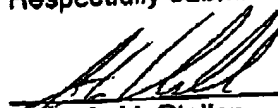
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Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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